

PRESIDENT: Senator Pappas, you are going to have to speak into the microphone so that we understand your pearls of wisdom.

SENATOR PAPPAS: I was just trying to explain it to my fellow colleague, Senator Higgins, from Omaha and I thought it would be more direct and understanding if I just looked her face to face.

PRESIDENT: A little bit too close.

SENATOR PAPPAS: A lot of people have said that.

SENATOR HIGGINS: I hope my husband is listening or watching on cable TV, Senator Pappas.

SENATOR PAPPAS: Is that a question?

SENATOR HIGGINS: No, that is a firm wish. The answer is then that this would not affect Omaha, is that correct?

SENATOR PAPPAS: Definitely, it would not affect Omaha.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Okay, thank you, Senator.

PRESIDENT: Senator Marsh, do you want to speak on the amendment? Very well. Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, this issue always brings out the philosophers and I expect Jerry Warner to be back there shortly. I think Tom Vickers made a very fair and reasonable presentation on the philosophical point of view and I think Jim Pappas offers us that sort of question today. I rise to say make your decision, do whatever you want to do. I am not looking, however, to have this amendment be baggage on my bill. If you believe in this concept and you want to extend it to first class cities, that is fine. Put up your votes, if you have got the votes, I will carry the bill with your cities included with pride. What I hope does not happen, which is what happened the last time we ran this, that is that some people put it on so they could then hope to take some votes off the bill and catch me between the rock and the proverbial hard spot. There are some distinguishing characteristics. Number one, Lincoln has come in and made a